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Applicants: **Masato NAGAWA, Hideki NODA**

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Title: **LOOSENING-PROOF NUT**

Examiner: **Not yet assigned**

Group Art Unit: **Not yet assigned**

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**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c)**

The applicants petition that the Examination of this application be advanced under the exception set forth under MPEP § 708.02(IV).

REMARKS

Formalities

Filed herewith is a statement by an inventor that he is 65 years of age or more.

Conclusion



In view of the foregoing remarks, the applicants respectfully submit that the application should be made special for advancement of its prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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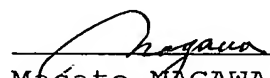
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APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF AGE

I, Masato NAGAWA am an inventor and applicant in the above-captioned patent application. I state that I am 65 years of age or more.


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